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QUOTE: US SECRETARY OF STATE DR. HENRY KISSINGER WILL ARRIVE IN CAIRO THIS AFTERNOON FROM RABAT. PRESIDENT ANWAR SADAT WILL MEET HIM THIS EVENING. A MODIFICATION WAS INTRODUCED INTO THE SCHEDULE OF THE US SECRETARY OF STATE, INSOFAR AS IT HAD BEEN DECIDED HE WOULD ARRIVE IN CAIRO BEFORE MIDNIGHT. BUT THE TIME OF ARRIVAL WAS ADVANCED BY SEVERAL HOURS AFTER KISSINGER CANCELLED HIS VISIT TO TUNIS. HE WILL (NOW) ARRIVE IN CAIRO DIRECTLY FROM RABAT.

"KISSINGER WILL BE ACCOMPANIED ON HIS VISIT BY TOP EXPERTS IN MIDDLE EASTERN AFFAIRS AND 14 CORRESPONDENTS. AMONG THE MOST IMPORTANT OF THOSE WHO ARE ACCOMPANYING HIM ARE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR MIDDLE EASTERN AFFAIRS UNCLASSIFIED

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JOSEPH SISCO; HAROLD SAUNDERS, A MIDDLE EAST EXPERT IN THE

US NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL; AND ALFRED ATHERTON, WHO THE AMERICANS HAVE NOMINATED TO BE THEIR AMBASSADOR IN CAIRO SHOULD DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BE RESUMED.

"NEWS AGENCY REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON SAY THAT WORLD ATTENTION IS CENTERED ON THE MEETING BETWEEN SADAT AND KISSINGER, AND THAT KISSINGER HIMSELF BELIEVES THAT THE MOST DIFFICULT AND SERIOUS OF HIS TALKS ARE THOSE WHICH HE WILL HAVE IN CAIRO. (NEWS AGENCY REPORTS ALSO SAY) THAT HE BELIEVES THAT PRESIDENT SADAT IS THE ARAB LEADER WHO IS ABLE TO TAKE "FINAL DECISION", AND THAT HIS POSITION WILL HAVE A CONSIDERABLE EFFECT ON THE COURSE OF EVENTS FOR LONG YEARS TO COME.

"IT IS EXPECTED THAT KISSINGERS VISIT TO CAIRO WILL LAST TWO DAYS. IF AN OPPORTUNITY IS FOUND BETWEEN MEETINGS, HE WILL TAKE A TRIP TO THE AREA OF THE PYRAMIDS AND SPHINX IN GIZA. BEFORE LEAVING WASHINGTON HE EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO MAKE THIS VISIT.

"ON THE SIDE OF EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ISMAIL FAHMY, KISSINGER WILL MEET VICE PRESIDENT MOHMOUD FAWZI AND PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS HAFEZ ISMAIL. HE IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE CAIRO FOR AMMAN THURSDAY MORNING. END QUOTE.
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